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### GARBER

Another week of spring weather with the usual March conditions has about passed and with it the threatened rail road strike. The sinking of three American vessels on the high seas and the probable calling to arms of the nation will make this week memorable in history for as the buds are putting forth we can not tell what will happen before they are in full leaf. And with the high price of seeds of all kinds the farmer who is urged to put in a greater crop than usual is handicapped with the money to buy and many who would plant potatoes can not buy the seed that is held at speculative figures. There are some things that we can do without for instance, onions at their sky prices need not be raised only as a luxury but potatoes are a part of the staff of life. Some editors say in a joking way the way to lower potatoes is to raise them. Quite true, but getting them to raise is another question without there is a tumble in prices for the average farmer feels that he is being held up more for his hard cash than the scarcity of tubers and it is certain that if a good crop is not raised there will be a great want next fall and winter.

J. W. Vining, G. H. Boraker and J. K. Ross went to Galena last week to attend court, also T. S. Powell from this place.

Mrs. Winnie Frost went to Aurora Sunday evening and will go on the next evening to Lamar, Colorado to join her husband where he has work on a ranch. Mrs. Frost spent several days visiting with her brother and sister who live here and with her parents at Aurora.

Mrs. Bob Callison returned to Branson after a few days visit with her parents, H. A. Wilsons.

Ben Burns has sold his farm at the Roark siding to W. H. Lynch and will soon go to Oklahoma where he has recently been and made a purchase of another place.

Thomas Walden bade adieu to Garber last Saturday and has gone to seek his fortune elsewhere.

C. W. Ball who was visiting his uncle, Frank Leckrone, left for his home in Caldwell, Kan., last Thursday and thinks he will be back in the fall to stay with us.

Mrs. H. C. Cox and two children went to Reeds Spring Monday evening to spend a few days with her mother, Mrs. M. A. Fronaberger.

A few tourists are dropping in to view the hills and with warmer weather we expect a large number this spring.

The heavy rains that were needed and have done so much good have stopped plowing for a short time but the benefits from the rain will over balance the time lost.

### BRADLEYVILLE.

Quite a number of people of this place attended the sale at W. J. Mauney's Saturday. Mr. Mauney and family are preparing to go to Washington soon.

We have a few cases of measles in this neighborhood.

Evelyn Floyd and Earl Hicks have been quite busy this week hauling saw logs to the mill.

Billy Dun of Brown Branch passed through our little village Sunday.

E. D. Golder was the Sunday guest of Erma Jackson.

Mrs. R. L. Ridenhour spent Sunday with her home folks.

Sunday School did fairly well Sunday. We hope to see a larger attendance next Sunday.

E. S. Mell returned Friday night from Springfield.

Uncle Robert Clayton is very ill at this writing.

Cloash Hicks is taking music lessons from Mrs. Stottle.

We had quite a rain and some hail Thursday night.

Henry Blunk of Forsyth is upseeing about his farm near here.

Quite a few people of this place attended D. B. Wood's sale Monday.

Mrs. W. R. Clayton who has been quite ill for some time is reported better at this writing.

Word has been received that Miss Lexie Hicks has the measles.

W. E. Fent of Greenleaf was in our town a few days ago with a bright smile.

### RILL

Some people of this vicinity are preparing to make garden.

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Melton have moved on the farm vacated by Jim Fotheringham.

Old Dennings and family are preparing to depart for Oronogo where they will make their future home. We regret to see them go but wish them success.

Lee White and wife and little sons, Glyn and Lois will leave Saturday for Fall River, Kansas where they will make their home. We hope they will like their Kansas home.

Frank Mahr and son and daughter passed this place on their way to Chadwick.

G. W. Clevenger's are preparing to make a trip to Pitcher Okla.

Mr. Fred and family, we understand, are going to move on the farm they have bought on Gravelly Hollow.

Mrs. Moreland visited at the home of Miss Clara Parrill one night last week.

### PROTEM

Joe Brown made a trip to Hollister Saturday in the Owen car.

A very large crowd attended the so-called Dr. J. O. Nicholson and wife an enjoyable time reported except a little booze and that is everywhere at church and at town.

There was preaching Saturday night and Sunday at eleven. Several attended and seemed highly pleased with the talk our minister gave.

John Dean and wife were in town Saturday.

Lewis Cornett was sporting the "Dort" in town Sunday. Probably that's the reason the girls all smile sweet at Lewis.

Hobart Owen has a brand new auto filling station now in front of his store.

Eva Owen visited her cousin, Miss Berry Jones, a few days ago.

Protem ought to be counted as a few square miles of Arkansas for a while. Mabe the loafers would scatter if they were compelled to comply with the Aarkansas laws.

The new telephone line is now erected from Elbow creek to town.

Miss Ragsdal visited Vera Thornton Sunday.

### SCHOOL NOTES.

Don't forget the oratorical contest Friday night of this week at the church.

Don't forget to practice for the field day, March 31.

Don't forget that you can boost for the Forsyth High School free of charge nor that a knocker is in "its" proper place when "it" hangs.

The last quarter of school is well started only seven weeks remain. Some pupils are failing to pass, some parents are failing to visit. One of these two failures is probably the cause of the other. It is hard to say which is the cause and which is the result.

It is true however that the two circumstances often go hand in hand.

Mrs. Vernon James has been added to the school faculty. All through the school year Superintendent Hayes has urged the hiring of an additional grade teacher upon the ground that the work of the High school must be based upon more efficient instruction. In fact State Inspector Walker who approved the High School, left the caution that the work of the grades must be strengthened if we hope to maintain next year our rank as First Class High School.

At the present time many eighth grade graduates are coming to our school for a review of the eight grade. Thus the crowded condition has become more and more pronounced until an extra grade teacher is necessary. Mrs. James will have charge of grades 3 and 6, taking a part of the work of

the other grade teachers. This arrangement relieves Mr. James and Miss Pearson of the sixth grade work which heretofore has been divided between them. Mrs. Bennett is relieved of the third grade. This arrangement leaves an excellent opportunity to give good instructions in all rooms.

With this approach of vacation there is a tendency in a good many schools to relax in the efforts of school work. This tendency is like a runner's check in his pace when he hears the tape that marks the finish. It is not more justifiable. Teachers and pupils should guard well against this error. Strict behavior in attendance punctuality and preparation have been emphasized.

The common mistake of giving class periods over to the drilling for heavy last day exercises will be avoided. All of the teachers are sacrificing their after school rest to help in works of this character.

The school wishes to express its gratitude to Mr. Miller for the loan of a stove.

Mrs. J. A. Weatherman paid the High School a visit last Thursday.

Mrs. W. K. Fowler of the University Publishing Company visited one day last week and gave a short talk to the High School students.

Mr. Frank Owen entered the High School at the beginning of the quarter.

Miss Willa Nave came in this week to take up the high school work.

Grace Thornton Golda Pemberton entered this week to review the work of the eighth grade.

The Southwest Missouri High School Track Meet will be held at Springfield April 28. In connection with this event a declamatory contest and a contest in music are to be held. The Forsyth High School has representatives entered in all of these events.

Jesse Johnson will be the school's representative in declamation. A quartet composed of Mabel Weatherman, Ivy Reese, Frances McConkey and Helen Parish will represent the school in music. It has not been fully decided which boys will go on a track team. Those who show good form and promise are Guy Everett, Frank Owen, Jack Johnson, and Jesse Williams.

### An American.

An American is one  
Who not only shouts "Old Glory!"  
but feels it;

Who pursues a practical, not a passive democracy.

Who not only likes to thrive with his country but is ready to die with it;

Who would not barter its tiniest blade of grass for the wealth of a universe.

Who respects its institutions, who does not deride them.

Who has the courage of his convictions, not the acquiescence of his expediency.

Who believes in principle, not the stultification of it;

Who can be generously sympathizing without being patronizing;

Who rocks the cradle with one hand and balances his books with the other;

Who is childlike with you in success and staunch in adversity;

Who loves one woman and honors all;

Who is mild with the simple but a rock with the sophisticated;

Who can pat a puppy that bespattered his trousers;

Who is square with himself and lenient toward ignorance;

Who is fair to labor and labors fairly;

Who is humble in his achievement and generous with his praise;

Who can be a stalwart champion as well as an innocent bystander;

Who believes in adequate preparedness and will cheerfully dig up his share when the bills fall due;

Who observes the intent not the letter of the law;

Who can be gallant to the scrub woman and indifferent to the haughty;

Who is as fastidious about his moral shirt cuffs as his laundered linen;

Who eats his own embalmed beef and forwards the better cuts to those who serve his country;

Who tries to be kind to every race and color and creed because he has no wish to draw distinctions among those who serve him in a pinch.—New York Sun.

Love in a bungalow is some improvement over love in a cottage. "Bangalow" is a better word for metric composition.

## UNITED STATES IS VIRTUALLY AT WAR

Sinking of Three More American Ships by German Submarines Reported.

### PRESIDENT PLANNING ACTION

Congress May Be Called at Once to Take Aggressive Steps—Some Americans Lost.

Washington, Mar. 19.—With the announcement of the destruction of three unnamed American merchant ships by submarines, it was unofficially admitted here tonight that virtually a state of war exists between the United States and Germany.

Technically the United States remains in a position of armed neutrality. Whether this shall be changed before April 16, the date fixed for a special session of Congress, the war-making branch of the government, President Wilson has not decided.

One step the President is contemplating is a call for an immediate session of Congress to hear an address asking for authority to adopt aggressive measures against the submarine menace.

To Seek Out Submarines.

Already American ships are being armed to defend themselves. The next move must be to send warships with orders to seek out submarines and clear the Trans-Atlantic lanes.

Some of the highest officials of the government hold that the executive has the power to declare that a state of war exists and to proceed with aggressive protective steps pending the assembling of Congress.

There is no indication, however, that the President will follow that course.

Gave Americans at Sea No Chance.

Of the three ships sunk two of them were unladen and homeward bound, and all were American built, American owned and officered and manned largely by American citizens. Meager dispatches indicate that all were sunk with complete disregard for the safety of those on board, and that some of the members of the crews probably have been lost.

Today's developments brought the government face to face with the problem of formulating a definite policy for the Nation in case the United States actually enters the war. This possibility was mentioned by the President in his inaugural address.

All of the conditions outlined by the President announcing the diplomatic break with Germany as leading to a state of armed neutrality have now been fulfilled. The "overt act" described by him then has actually come, if, in fact, it had not been committed when the President went before Congress again.

When the President Heard.

President Wilson was out motoring when the first Associated Press dispatches telling of the three disasters came in quick succession. He was given all available facts immediately on his return. In the meantime Secretary Lansing and other State Department officials, as well as Cabinet members, were given the information.

Several hours later official reports came from Consul Frost at Queens-town and Consul General Skinner at London, telling of the sinking of the City of Memphis, the Vigilance and the Illinois.

International lawyers and constitutional experts showed no hesitancy tonight in saying that President Wilson has full authority to interpret this as an act of war and announce that this country considers that an actual state of war exists by reason of Germany's flagrant assault on American shipping.

Such action would be subject to the approval of Congress.

Despite the unwarned sinking of big passenger liners like the California and the Laconia, the jeopardizing of Americans on nearly a score of other vessels and the sinking of three other American ships, the House and the Lyman M. Law, and the Algonquin, since the unrestricted warfare began, some officials, inspired by the President's announced reluctance to believe that Germany would carry through her threat, have clung desperately to the hope that some slight respect for international law might still be shown.

Willfully Disregards Our Rights.

German sea warfare might fairly be stated, however, to have surpassed even the most pessimistic forecasts here. That she actually means to send every vessel to the bottom that dares to venture within her forbidden zones is now accepted as a fact. Neutral passengers and Belgian relief appear to be in the same category.

Threat Epidemic From Milk?

Galesville, Wis., March 17.—Seven persons have died and many others are stricken as the result of a throat epidemic in this county. The cause is laid to the milk supply, by physicians who are investigating.

Recognize the New Rule.

London, March 17.—Official action by Great Britain, France and Italy, in recognition of the provisional government of Russia, was taken in Petrograd yesterday, according to Reuters Petrograd correspondent.

## ROWLAND E. PROTHERO



Rowland E. Prothero, president of the British board of agriculture, is urging the farmers of Great Britain to use their best efforts in the raising of a big crop this year.

### RAIL STRIKE IS DECLARED OFF

Road Managers Authorize Mediators to Make Terms—Present War Crisis Given as Cause.

New York, Mar. 19.—The conference committee of railroad managers early this morning authorized President Wilson's mediators to make whatever arrangements were necessary with the railroad brotherhoods to call off the threatened strike.

Secretary Lane issued this statement:

"Regardless of the decision of the supreme court on the Adamson Law the basic 8-hour law will go into effect.

"The details are being worked upon by a joint committee which will have its negotiations completed by noon," Mr. Lane said.

The decision referred by the managers at their midnight conference means that the brotherhoods have won an important victory, although it does not bring them all their original demands. By the agreement, it is assumed, they will be awarded pro rata time for overtime on the basic 8-hour day which they have been assured.

Their original demands called for time and a half for overtime on the same basic day.

Immediately after Secretary Lane had made his announcement, the brotherhood leaders sent telegrams to all the general chairmen informing them that the strike had been declared off.

The men will get their present pay for ten hours for eight hours' work under the agreement. These concessions on the part of the managers are virtually what the employees contended they would gain under the Adamson Law if it were declared constitutional.

Earnest appeals by Secretary Lane and the other mediators to the patriotism of the railroad managers are believed to have been an important factor in bringing about a settlement.

The critical situation in which the country finds itself because of the sinking of American ships by German submarines was impressed upon them and they were told that if a strike were permitted at this time it would be a national calamity.

Similar pressure was brought to bear upon the brotherhood chiefs.

Whether President Wilson communicated directly with Secretary Lane last night could not be learned, but there were reports that the spokesmen for the mediators had been informed by the President that paralysis of the Nation's transportation system must be prevented at all costs.

Complete returns from St. Louis primaries show Mayor Henry W. Kiel was renominated by the Republicans for mayor over Louis Alt by a plurality of 24,963. William C. Connert, with a plurality of 3,457, won the Democratic nomination.

Rodney D. Henry, proprietor of the Henry hotel in Butler, is dead after several months' illness. He was born in Brooklyn, Ky., in 1850, and had lived in Butler since 1866.

Circuit Judge Arch A. Johnson was awarded \$1 damages in his \$50,000 slander suit against Jesse A. Tolerton, former state game warden, by a jury in Springfield recently.

The Rev. Fielding Marvin, son of Bishop E. M. Marvin and one of the widely known preachers of the Methodist Church, south, is dead at Fayette. He was born at Palmyra, Mo., in 1849, and had held pastorates at Kirksville, Monroe City, Mexico, Macon, Fayette and Palmyra.

Officials at Carthage are puzzled whether to make any more arrests, as the Jasper county jail in Carthage has been quarantined because of smallpox and orders were issued not to receive new prisoners.

An attack with strong forces was begun by French troops on the Macedonian front in the region of Monastir. A German headquarters report says the French entered advanced trenches at one point, but otherwise were repulsed.

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## HAPPENINGS of the week IN MISSOURI

An explosion from an accumulation of gasoline vapors from a lighting plant in A. G. Howard's drug store, was the cause of a \$50,000 fire at Hamilton. Mr. Howard was severely burned by the explosion. The building, his drug store and jewelry stock were practically destroyed.

A record sale of a minority interest in a Joplin district zinc mine was recorded when J. W. Hoffman of Kansas City paid \$100,000 for a one-fifth interest in the Blue Mound Mining company. The stock was purchased from L. P. Buchanan of Joplin.

Springfield has been given this year's state show of the Missouri Poultry association, to be held December 24 to 29, according to an announcement received by officers of the local association.

Funeral services for William Franklin Mayhall, editor of the Bowling Green Times since 1880, who died March 12, were held there recently. Mr. Mayhall was 62 years old.

Nellie West, 13 years old, of Joplin, was accidentally shot and killed by a playmate, Edward Gumm, 10 years old. The boy was playing with a 22-caliber rifle when it was discharged, the bullet striking the girl in the head.

City Marshal A. M. Clark, 67 years old, died at Tipton the other day. He had served as marshal eighteen years.

J. E. Marshall, capitalist, farmer, banker, merchant and former state senator is dead at Sikeston. He was 62 years old.

L. E. Pritchard of Kansas City has been appointed rector of Trinity Episcopal church at Marshall. A service of welcome will be held for the new rector at the First Methodist church.

The Missouri Association of Master Plumbers closed its annual convention at Springfield after electing these officers: President, A. A. Zertanna, St. Louis; first vice president, Charles Burgess, Joplin; second vice president, Thomas Fogarty, Springfield; secretary, C. L. Smith, Kansas City; treasurer, J. P. Carroll, St. Louis.

John L. Gates, 60 years old, is dead at St. Joseph. He was a state grain inspector for ten years in Kansas City, retiring a year ago on account of ill health. His father was Colonel Elijah Gates, a commander in the Confederate army.

Mrs. Stella Libbe, who shot and killed William Moseley, a liverman, near St. Joseph, recently, was exonerated by the coroner's jury on the theory of self-defense. The woman claimed that Moseley attacked her with an ax.

The board that is inspecting proposed sites for the \$11,000,000 armor plant site heard the claims of St. Louis recently and visited sites in the north and south parts of the city.

Because the people of St. Louis are "not right" for a revival and there is not enough enthusiasm over his promise to go there, Billy Sunday has canceled his engagement in St. Louis.

Mrs. Jennie Neal, a widow, was probably fatally burned at Moberly when a stove into which she had poured coal oil exploded, setting fire to her clothes.

Word from Speaker Champ Clark says President Wilson has signed the special bill giving Tyler Parker, the oldest printer in Missouri, if not the United States, a pension of \$30 a month. The news found Parker on his back in bed. He had until recently been setting type in the old way for nearly sixty-four years. He worked with Mark Twain at Hannibal, Mo., before the Civil war.

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### CONDENSED NEWS ITEMS

German submarines recently have sunk seventeen steamers, two sailing ships and three steamtrawlers, with an aggregate tonnage of 48,150. In addition, a submarine annihilated a small hostile cruiser with three inclined funnels and special ship. No. 27, arranged as a trap for submarines.

The mustering out of the Second South Carolina Infantry, recently returned from the border, has been stopped by orders directing the federal mustering office to await further instructions.

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